GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LAW , JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3774
ANSWERED ON:22.03.2001
CASES PENDING IN INCOME TAX APPELLATE TRIBUNAL
RAJIV PRATAP RUDY;VIJAY KUMAR KHANDELWAL

Will the Minister of LAW , JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases pending with the income-Tax Appellate Tribunal;

(b) the number of such cases which have been pending for the last 3 years, year-wise;

(c) whether the Government propose to increase the number of Tribunals to reduce the number of pending cases;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF LAW, JUSTICE & COMPANY AFFAIRS AND SHIPPING (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)

(a) The number of cases pending with the Income-tax Appellate Tribunal as on 1st March, 2001 is 2,44,320.

(b) The number of cases pending with the Income-tax Appellate Tribunal during the past three years was as under:-

Year	Pendency
1997-98	299978
1998-99	300597
1999-2000	262652

(c), (d) & (e) No, Sir. In order to reduce the number of pending cases with the Income-tax Appellate Tribunal, the Government has sanctioned 15 additional benches of the Tribunal with effect from 1st April, 1997.